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The Arizona Department of Education (ADE), in order to assist constituents, has decided that 6 clock hours will be granted to individuals who have completed a Bilingual or English as a Second Language (ESL) methods course only. This refers to individuals who have not completed the coursework for the full ESL or Bilingual endorsement. Previously, institutes of higher learning had to submit a course syllabus along with a course approval letter to ADE which then needed to be reviewed in order to ascertain how many hours of strategies were discussed and taught within the course. This is no longer the case.

The hours that are granted will be used to meet the "SEI Strategies Objectives" portion on the Curricular Framework for Provisional Structured English Immersion (SEI) Endorsement Training. This is only for the provisional SEI endorsement.

There are four main objectives on the SEI Curricular Framework. Since 6 hours will be given to individuals on the Strategies objective, this means that individuals will still need to obtain 2 additional hours in strategies and at least one hour in each of the following areas:

- ELL Proficiency Standards
- Assessment
- Foundations of SEI

Also, there are four flex hours that can be acquired in any of the areas in order to obtain the 15 clock hours for the provisional SEI endorsement. This needs to be obtained by August 31, 2006.